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KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL RETURNS TO ALL IN-PERSON MEETINGS

Lihu'e, Kauai – Effective March 22, 2023, the Kauai County Council will return to all in-person meetings and will no longer be accepting testimony via interactive conference technology (ICT).

This change was prompted by State statutes, which impose potentially disruptive requirements on ICT meetings, even if no one is logged in to testify via the ICT and all Councilmembers are present at the meeting in-person. If connection to the ICT is interrupted or lost, the meeting must be recessed and possibly terminated, which would then void any agenda items that were pending prior to the ICT interruption, resulting in delays necessary to post a new meeting agenda. Additionally, any technical issues with the ICT link stated on the agenda cannot be cured and would also invalidate the meeting and require a new agenda posting.

Oral testimony will continue to be taken in-person and written testimony can be submitted to counciltestimony@kauai.gov, faxed to (808) 241-6349, or mailed to the Office of the County Clerk, Council Services Division at 4396 Rice Street, Suite 209, Lihu'e, Hawaii, 96766.

All Council and Council Committee meetings will continue to be livestreamed via the County's website at www.kauai.gov/webcastmeetings.

For additional information, please contact the Office of the County Clerk, Council Services Division at (808) 241-4188.

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